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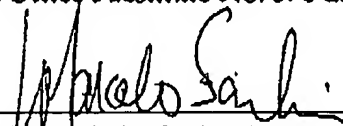
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the outstanding Official Action dated June 28, 2006 and due for response July 28, 2006, Applicant encloses a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to authorize the Examiner to withdraw the fee for a large entity in the amount of \$120.00 U.S. funds from Deposit Account 08-3255 (in the name of Ivor M. Hughes) making this response due August 28, 2006. If there is any deficiency or surplusage of the fees authorized for withdrawal, please obtain any such deficiency or credit the surplusage to Deposit Account 08-3255 and advise Applicants' Agent.

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